

What is claimed is:

1. A light emitting diode, comprising:

an element substrate;

a light emitting element mounted on said element substrate;

5 a translucent sealing body for sealing said light emitting element and for emitting light from said light emitting element; and

a light shielding means to be formed on said sealing body light emitting parts for directing light from said sealing body in two dimensional directions which are formed from a combination of either two axes of three dimensional axes

10 X, Y and Z.

2. The light emitting diode according to claim 1, wherein said light shielding means includes light shielding members for selectively shielding one portion of the light emitting parts formed on the sealing body, and said light emitting parts are arranged on three dimensional axes X, Y and Z which are 15 perpendicular with respect to each other, if the light emitting part positioned on either one of the three dimensional axes X, Y and Z is a front light emitting part, said light shielding members shield top and bottom light emitting parts except for the front light emitting part and side light emitting parts on opposite and adjacent sides of the front light emitting part.

20 3. A back light unit, comprising:

an element substrate;

a light emitting element mounted on said element substrate;

a sealing body which seals said light emitting element and which has light emitting parts for emitting light from said light emitting element;

25 an optical wave-guide having a light receiving surface for receiving light emitted from the light emitting parts of said sealing body; and

a light shielding means for directing the light from the light emitting parts

of said sealing body toward the light receiving surface of said optical wave-guide, wherein said light emitting parts are arranged on three dimensional axes X, Y and Z which are perpendicular with respect to each other, and said light shielding means shields the light emitting parts other than light emitting parts on two axes corresponding to the light receiving surface of said optical wave-guide among said light emitting parts on the three dimensional axes to form the light emitting parts on the two axes for directing the light emitted from the light emitting parts on the two axes to said light receiving surface.

4. The back light unit according to claim 3, wherein if said light emitting part positioned on the X axis is a front light emitting part, the light emitting parts positioned on the Y axis are side light emitting parts and the light emitting parts positioned on the Z axis are top and bottom light emitting parts, said front light emitting part is disposed to face to the light receiving surface of the optical wave-guide, and said light shielding means shields the top and bottom light emitting parts except for the front and side light emitting parts.

5. The back light unit according to claim 4, wherein said front light emitting part is formed from a surface generally parallel with said light receiving surface of the optical wave-guide and said side light emitting parts are formed into surfaces oblique to the light receiving surface.

20 6. The back light unit according to claim 4, wherein said front light emitting part is formed into a semi-circular surface facing the light receiving surface of said optical wave-guide.